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Box Patent Application Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a ___ continuation-in-part _X continuation ___ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application, Serial No. 09/132,783 filed on August 12, 1998 of Dane R. Jackson, Suzanne A. Downs and Robert C. Norquest for TAMPON APPLICATOR WITH TAPED FINGERGRIP.

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- 3. XX Cancel in this application original claim(s) 2, 5, 8-12, 14, 15, 19, 20, 22, 24-47 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- 4. XX A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the previous application is enclosed.

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| Th | | Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: XX continuation, division, of application serial no. 09/132,783, filed 12, 1998 |
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| 6. | XX | The prior application is assigned of record to: Playtex Products, Inc. |
| 7. | a. b. | The power of attorney in the prior application is to: Charles N.J. Ruggiero, Esq. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application. Address all future communications to: CHARLES N.J. RUGGIERO, ESQ. OHLANDT, GREELEY, RUGGIERO & PERLE, L.L.P. ONE LANDMARK SQUARE, 10 th FLOOR STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT 06901-2682 TELEPHONE: (203) 327-4500 TELEFAX: (203) 327-6401 |
| 8. | XX | A preliminary amendment (to follow); |
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